

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A combination display and storage box and picture frame, comprising:

a base having a first interior cavity defined therein,
said base having a peripheral edge;

a first and second lid sections defining a case body,
said case body having an a second interior cavity defined therein
to receive an item of jewelry; said first and second lid
sections further having a peripheral edge edges so that said lid
and base together form a case body and said peripheral edges of
said base and said lid are juxtaposed when said case body is in a
closed position ~~said peripheral edges are juxtaposed;~~

a hinge means oriented along respective edges of said
base and lid a horizontal axis for pivotably connecting said base
and said first and second lid sections for opening and closing
said case body;

a pad removably insertable within said base for holding
an item for display thereon for display and sale when said lid is
opened relative to said base and for holding the item for storage
when said lid is closed relative to said base; and

~~an interior frame border insertable within said~~
~~interior cavity of said first lid section~~ a hold down arrangement

for removably holding a picture within said base so as to display said picture that when said pad has been removed, said lid is opened relative to said base and said hinge means is oriented along a vertical axis, said interior frame border secures a picture within said first lid section.

2. (Currently Amended) A The combination display and storage box and picture frame according to as in claim 1, wherein said base first and second lid sections each having a backing wall and upstanding peripheral walls in surrounding relation to a periphery of the backing wall are tray shaped.

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3. (Currently Amended) A The combination display and storage box and picture frame according to as in claim 1, wherein said case body is made of wood.

4. (Currently Amended) The combination display and storage box and picture frame according to An interior frame border as in claim 1, wherein said frame is plated to produce a gold-like finish.

5. (Currently Amended) The combination display and storage box and picture frame according to as in claim 1, further comprising a lens-sheet transparent member insertable within said first interior cavity of said base in overlying relation first

~~lid section on said picture, and said hold down arrangement includes an so that said interior frame border for insertion when inserted in said first interior cavity secures to secure said picture and said lens within said base first lid section.~~

6. (Currently Amended) The combination display and storage box and picture frame according to ~~of~~ claim 1, further comprising a riser insertable in the base when said pad is removed for elevating said picture relative to the bottom a backing wall of said base first lid section.

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7. (Currently Amended) The combination display and storage box and picture frame according to ~~of~~ claim 1, further comprising a second hold down arrangement for removably holding a second picture within said lid so as to display said second picture when said lid is opened relative to said base and said hinge is oriented along the vertical axis ~~a second interior frame border insertable with said interior cavity of said second lid section so that when said hinge means is oriented along a vertical axis, said second frame border secures a second picture within said second lid section.~~

8. (Currently Amended) The combination display and storage box and picture frame according to ~~of~~ claim 7, further comprising a second riser for elevating said second picture

relative to ~~the bottom~~ a backing wall of said ~~second lid section~~.

9. (Currently Amended) The combination display and storage box and picture frame according to ~~as in~~ claim 8, further comprising a transparent member second lens sheet insertable within said second interior cavity of said ~~second lid section~~ in overlying relation on said second picture, and said second hold down arrangement includes an ~~so that when said second interior frame border for insertion is inserted~~ in said second interior cavity to secure it ~~secures~~ said second picture and said second lens within said ~~second lid section~~.

10. (Currently Amended) The combination display and storage box and picture frame according to ~~of~~ claim 5 ~~+~~, wherein said base first lid section further ~~comprise~~ comprises a peripheral lip for frictionally engaging said interior frame border within said first interior cavity of said ~~base first lid section~~.

11. (Currently Amended) The combination display and storage box and picture frame according to ~~of~~ claim 10 ~~7~~, wherein said ~~second lid section~~ further ~~comprise~~ comprises a peripheral lip for frictionally engaging said ^{an} ~~second~~ interior frame border within said second interior cavity of said ~~first lid section~~.

12. (Currently Amended) A combination display and storage box and picture frame, for storing and displaying an item of jewelry and for displaying first and second pictures, said combination display and storage box and picture frame comprising:

a base having a first interior cavity defined therein,
said base having a peripheral edge;

a first and second lid sections having a second
interior cavity defined therein, said lid having a peripheral
edge so that said base and lid together define defining a case
body and said peripheral edges of said base and lid are
juxtaposed ~~7 said case body having an interior cavity defined~~
~~therein to receive an item of jewelry; said first and second lid~~
~~sections further having peripheral edges so that when said case~~
~~body is in a closed position said peripheral edges are~~
~~juxtaposed;~~

a hinge means oriented along respective edges of said
base and lid a horizontal axis for pivotably connecting said base
and first and second lid sections for opening and closing said
case body;

a pad removably insertable within said base for holding
an item for display and sale when said lid is opened relative to
said base and for holding the item for storage when said lid is
closed relative to said base; and

a first riser insertable within said first interior
cavity of said base when said pad is removed first lid section

for elevating ~~said the~~ first picture relative to ~~said bottom a~~
backing wall of said base first lid section;

a second riser insertable within said second interior
cavity of said ~~second lid section~~ for elevating ~~said the~~ second
picture relative to ~~said bottom a~~ backing wall of said ~~second lid~~
~~section~~;

a first interior frame border insertable within said
first interior cavity of said base first lid section so that when
said hinge means is oriented along a vertical axis, said first
interior frame border secures ~~a~~ the first picture within said
base first lid section; and

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a second interior frame border insertable within said
second interior cavity of said ~~second lid section~~ so that when
said hinge means is oriented along the vertical axis, said second
interior frame border secures ~~a~~ the second picture within said
~~second lid section~~.

13. (Currently Amended) The combination display and
storage box and picture frame according to as claimed in claim
12, wherein said base first and second lid sections each further
comprise first and second peripheral lips, respectively, for
frictionally engaging respective said first and second interior
frame borders within said respective first and second interior
cavities of said respective base first and second lid sections.

14. (Currently Amended) The combination display and storage box and picture frame according to as claimed in claim 12 further comprising first and second transparent members ~~lens sheets~~ insertable within said respective first and second interior cavities of said base ~~first~~ and ~~second lid sections~~ and on ~~said the~~ first and second pictures.

15. (New) A storage box comprising:

first and second lid sections defining a case body;
each lid section having an interior cavity defined

therein;

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said first and second lid sections further having peripheral edges so that when said case body is in a closed position said peripheral edges are juxtaposed;

a hinge oriented along a horizontal axis for pivotably connecting said first and second lid sections for opening and closing said case body;

an interior frame border insertable within the interior cavity of said first lid section so that when said hinge is oriented along a vertical axis, said interior frame border secures a picture within said first lid section; and

said first lid section further comprises a peripheral lip for frictionally engaging said interior frame border within said interior cavity of said first lid section.

16. (New) The storage box of claim 15, wherein said second lid section further comprises a peripheral lip for frictionally engaging a second interior frame border within said interior cavity of said second lid section to hold a second picture therein.

17. (New) A storage box for storing an item of jewelry and for displaying first and second pictures, said storage box comprising:

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first and second lid sections defining a case body;
each lid section having an interior cavity defined therein;

said first and second lid sections further having peripheral edges so that when said case body is in a closed position said peripheral edges are juxtaposed;

a hinge oriented along a horizontal axis for pivotably connecting said first and second lid sections for opening and closing said case body;

a first riser insertable within said interior cavity of said first lid section for elevating the first picture relative to a backing wall of said first lid section;

a second riser insertable within said interior cavity of said second lid section for elevating the second picture relative to a backing wall of said second lid section;

a first interior frame border insertable within said

interior cavity of said first lid section so that when said hinge is oriented along a vertical axis, said first interior frame border secures the first picture within said first lid section;

Q2 a second interior frame border insertable within said interior cavity of said second lid section so that when said hinge is oriented along the vertical axis, said second interior frame border secures the second picture within said second lid section; and

said first and second lid sections further comprise first and second peripheral lips for frictionally engaging respective said first and second interior frame borders within said respective first and second interior cavities of said respective first and second lid sections.
